Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(b). May I know whether they have been noted as such, namely, that the remarks offered by the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer were merely noted or they have been noted for the future action and consideration of the Government?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It has been noted for future action and consideration by the Government.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(c). Could not the items which were very urgent have been attended to immediately without additional expenditure of money?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It was not possible to do them without any extra expenditure.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Were there not funds provided in the Budget of last year which could have been utilised for meeting some of the more urgent necessities?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—There has been no lapse of any amount budgetted under any other head to be utilised for this.

The Nemmara Hospital.

36. Mr. K. G. Nayar.—

(a) What is the average attendance of patients (males, females and children), in Nemmara Hospital per month during the first 4 months of 1107;

(b) what is the necessity for a Sub-Assistant Surgeon now in service at the Nemmara Hospital;

(c) will the Government be adversely affected if a Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon is substituted for him;

(d) is there sufficient scope for the two doctors now employed there?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—

(a)	Chingam.	Kanni.	Thulam.	Vrischigam	Average during the 4 months.
Males	1,701	1,670	1,972	1,527	1,70,425
Females	1,232	1,297	1,714	1,340	1,39,575
Children	820	792	1,040	972	90,600

(b) The Assistant Surgeon in charge of the Nemmara Hospital has to render medical aid at Kairady dispensary twice a week. Then the Sub-Assistant Surgeon will be in charge of the Hospital. At other times he will be assisting the Assistant Surgeon.

(c) Yes. It will be more desirable to have a male Sub-Assistant Surgeon as the Assistant, since both sexes of patients will have to be attended to when the Assistant Surgeon is away at Kairady or on short leave.

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(d) Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—(c). If the Assistant Surgeon is away at Kairady does he not return the very same day after duty to Nemmara?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—He does.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—How far is Kairady from Nemmara Hospital?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is about 6 to 7 miles.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Then if the Sub-Assistant Surgeon leaves for Kairady in the morning could he not return by 11'o clock or by 12 noon?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—If so, could he not attend to the duties in the morning and if there is a Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon would it inconvenience the public to such an extent, i. e., if a Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon is substituted in the place of the male Sub-Assistant Surgeon?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—But in the morning there will be many patients.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—But would it inconvenience the public if a Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon is substituted in the place of the male doctor to such a great extent?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—The number of males attending the hospital are more than that of the females.

Burial Ground, Vallanghi in Nemmara.

37. **Mr. K. G. Nayar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether there is at present any burial ground for the people of Vallanghi;

(b) where do they cremate the dead bodies at present;

(c) are there burial grounds provided for the benefit of the people at Nemmara and surrounding villages?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—(a) There is no public burial ground maintained by the Government for the people of Vallanghi.

(b) At present the people of Vallanghi cremate their dead bodies on the Gudalur river side at Killiyil Desam and at Pandarakkad in Aliyasseri Desam.

(c) Yes.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is there not a rule that dead body should not be buried in poramboke land?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—It is a question of a general rule. Burial grounds are also porambokes.

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